

# DAMASCUS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Serving Damascus Faithfully Since 1822

Rooted in faith, growing in love, branching out into God's world.



Pentecost – Senior Sunday May 19, 2024 | 9:00 am

### Welcome to Sunday Worship at Damascus United Methodist Church!

**Welcome!** We are a community of faith open to all and we are glad that you are here! We pray that this time of worship will be meaningful and uplifting for you. If you are with us for the first time this morning, please be sure to stop at the Welcome Station in the Narthex (at the back, where you enter the Sanctuary). A host is there to answer any questions you may have. We also have a gift for you.

Worship Accommodations: We want each person to have a positive worship experience at DUMC. To that end, we have large print bulletins and hymnals available in the Narthex, as well as hearing assistive devices that can be used with or without a hearing aid. Children's worship bags are also available. Please speak to a welcome team member if you want to use any of these.

**Sunday Nursery Care:** A staffed Nursery for children aged **six months through kindergarten** is provided beginning at 8:45 a.m. on the lower level. Our Nursery attendants are ready to welcome your child! A member of the Welcome Team would be happy to guide you to the Nursery. Children's worship bags are available in the narthex.

# Today's Focus

Pentecost Sunday celebrates the birth of the Christian Church. It is a reminder that the Holy Spirit was given to the church as a constant presence of God in the lives of all believers. Our scriptures, prayers, hymns, and proclamations witness to this amazing gift of God's grace. Today we also celebrate a new beginning for graduating Senior High School students. We affirm the accomplishments and learning that have led to this point. The church overs its blessing as young people begin a new chapter in their faith journey. Our prayer is that the Spirit will inspire the young to help lead the church into a blessed future.

**Prayer**: Come, Holy Spirit, and lead us into God's future. Amen.

#### FAITH TIME WORSHIP SERVICE

Please mute all devices.

#### **ROOTED IN FAITH**

Our Shared Life and Witness

Please note various discipleship opportunities that may enhance your faith journey. These can be seen on the large screen in the Chancel, and in the bulletin. We also invite you to sign the Attendance Pad, located on the inside end of the pew, and pass it along.

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Prelude

Fugue from Schwanda the Bagpiper

Jaromír Weinberger

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, come. Be the wind and fire that transform our lives.

People: Breathe upon us as we study your word of life.

Leader: Kindle faith from our believing doubt. **People: Cleanse us from our waywardness.** 

Leader: Deepen our passion for sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ. **People: Give us voice to proclaim your mighty works in every tongue.** 

All: Fill your church with power. Come, Holy Spirit, come!

\*Opening Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

**UMH #103** 

Children's Sermon

#### **GROWING IN LOVE**

Prayer for Illumination

Sarah Heitzler

Let us pray.

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

<sup>\*</sup>Call to Worship

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

This is the Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Anthem Te Deum in B-flat Charles Villers Stanford

Second Epistle Lesson Acts 2:42-47

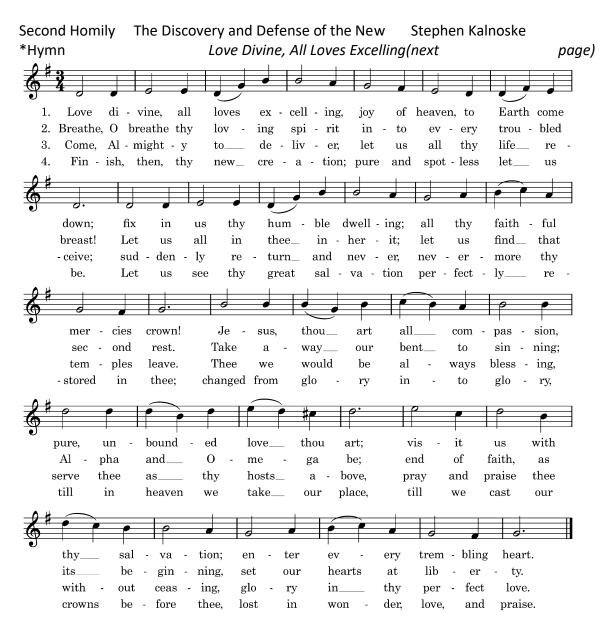
They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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Anthem Come, Unity Scott Fulton

First Homily

Emma Baldridge



Invitation to the Offering

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory He Never Failed Me Yet Robert Ray

\*Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #94

Thank you, extravagant God, for your blessings in our lives. We offer ourselves in grateful response, seeking to live with such compassion toward others that your blessings will flow through us to bless our community and our world. For the sake of Christ Jesus, we pray. Amen.

#### **BRANCHING OUT INTO GOD'S WORLD**

\*Recessional Hymn Sweet, Sweet Spirit UMH #334

\*Benediction

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\*Postlude When the Saints Go Marchin' In S. Kalnoske

<sup>\*</sup>Offertory Prayer

# Prayer Requests, Joys, and Concerns

If you have any joys, concerns, or prayer requests that you would like to have included in the bulletin or the weekly e-newsletter, please contact the church office at (301) 253-0022 or office@damascusumc.org

#### Please keep the following people in your prayers:

- The family and friends of Mary Nieter. Mary passed away on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Her funeral will be held at Faith UMC (Rockville) on June 1 at 1:00 pm.
- Rita and Jim Allen and family. Their son, Ronald Allen, passed away on April 30<sup>th</sup>. A
  graveside service will be held for Ronald on Monday (May 20<sup>th</sup>) at 1:00pm at the
  Damascus United Methodist Church Cemetery.
- Jane Will, as she remembers and gives thanks for her mother, Nancy Cavanaugh. Nancy passed away on May 17, 2021.
- Jean Barr, Delores Neal, Inga Tokar, Yasuko Walcott, Todd Wilson, Sharon Warfield, Mary Emma Linthicum, Ted Constantinides, David and Janet Lingrell, Nancy Nickerson, Pat Duvall, Stephen Tracy, Marilyn Kinsey, Pat Tregoning, Kate Musallam, Judy and Kathy (sisters of Gail Kohlenburg), Kristin Smith (niece of Gina Wilson), Michael Dearin (nephew of Jacque Janss), Bob Duvall (father of Anita Duvall), and all who are facing health concerns.

# Faith Time Summer Bible Study for Youth

Invitation to Join - Friends Welcome

RSVP to Ms. Tina by texting 240-678-9248



"Your generation is unique. You've never known a world without the internet; your parents can't say that. You've lived through a global pandemic; something you'll probably never forget. You've seen radical shifts in how society thinks, acts, and works – some good things and some not so good things."

Excerpt from Introduction of "Revival Generation" by Shane Pruitt.

Join Ms. Tina for an 8-week Bible Study about "Awakening to a Movement of God". We will be exploring what being a revival generation can mean for you, God, your family our church and the community.

The format includes a weekly in person group meeting and a few weekly activities for you. Beginning week of June  $10^{th}$ .

Exact time and location TBD based on those who sign up. I am hopeful our location can be at individuals' houses.

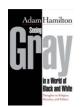


Adult Book Studies
Stephen Leslie Class

When: Starting May 5 @ 10:30 am, Where: ground floor library Group discussion on Living Buddha, Living Christ by Thich Nhat Hanh

Disciple Ship Voyage (DSV)

When: Sunday, 4/14, 10:30 am, Where: Virtual, occasionally in person Disciple Ship Voyage (DSV) Adult Small Study Group



Join the Disciple Ship Voyage (DSV) Adult Small Study Group as we read, study, and discuss this controversial and mind opening book.

The DSV study group will meet virtually, and occasionally in person.

### **Damascus Theatre Company**

# DTC Kids



Friday, May 17, 2024 at 7:30PM
Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 2PM & 7:30PM
Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 2PM
at Damascus United Methodist Church
9700 New Church St, Damascus

\$15 General Admission/\$12 DTC Members \$10 Senior Citizens/Students K-12/Children 2-5

# Community Yard Sale





**COMMUNITY YARD SALE SPONSORED** 

BY NEEMA KENYA MISSIONS

**DATE: SATURDAY JUNE 8TH** 

TIME: 9 TO 2 (Set up at 8am)

PLACE: DUMC FRONT LAWN

RESERVE YOUR SPACE NOW \$20, TABLES AVAILABLE \$5 FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE LINDA RICE(ricelinlu@aol.com), OR JACKIE PERRY(jackiedalr@yahoo.com)

RESERVATIONS CAN BE MADE AT CHURCH OFFICE 301-253-0022

#### Week of May 19 – May 25

Sunday, May 19

9:00 am – 10:00 am Pentecost/Senior Sunday Service (Worship)

9:15 am – 10:30 am Last Frogs Faith Time of the season (Undercroft/DH)

10:00 am – 11:15 am Connections Café

10:15 am – 11:15 am Last Faith Time of the season (Youth)

12:00 pm – 5:00 pm DTC – Into the Woods, Jr. 2 pm final performance

3:30 pm – 5:30 pm Lipetzky Studio Piano Recital (YC/1st floor)

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm DTC – Strike Party (DH)

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm Youth Group (YC)

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm AA - Sunday Night Meeting (DH/KS)

Monday, May 20

8:00 am – 12:00 pm Harwood House (Vol. Workday)

8:30am – 6:00 pm National Piano Guild Auditions (YC)

9:00 am – 9:00 pm PB Voice Studio (Sanctuary)

6:30 pm – 9:30 pm Kinship Singers Credo Collab. rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Sacred Path (Labyrinth Comm.) Mtg. (Online)

Tuesday, May 21

8:30 am – 2:00 pm Harwood House Thrift Shop (Vol. Workday)

8:30am – 6:00 pm National Piano Guild Auditions (YC)

9:00 am – 9:00 pm Lion's Club Youth Awards Dinner and Prep.

9:00 am – 9:00 pm PB Voice Studio (Sanctuary)

11:00 am – 1:00 pm PPP 2's & 3's End of Year Party (Pavilion)
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm Harwood House Thrift Shop (Vol. Workday)

6:15 pm – 7:30 pm Confirmation (YC)

Wednesday, May 22

8:30am – 6:00 pm National Piano Guild Auditions (YC)

9:00 am – 9:00 pm PB Voice Studio (Sanctuary)

11:00 am – 1:00 pm PPP 3's & 4's End of Year Party (Pavilion)

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm Harwood House Open 4-6 pm 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm Food Truck Event (Front Lawn) 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, May 23

8:30am – 6:00 pm National Piano Guild Auditions (YC)

9:00 am – 9:00 pm
PB Voice Studio (Sanctuary)

11:00 am – 3:00 pm
Harwood House Thrift Shop OPEN

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Sharp Voice Studio Lesson (Sanctuary/MR)

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Kitchen Meeting & Cleaning (DH/KS & Kitchen)

<u>Friday, May 24</u> Church Office Closed

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm AA - Friday Night Meeting (Dining Hall)

Saturday, May 25
Church Office Closed
11:00 am – 3:00 pm Harwood House Thrift Shop OPEN

12:00 pm – 3:30 pm Christel Meyerle Piano Recital (YC & Green Room)

Harwood House Thrift Shop OPEN

Sunday, May 26
9:00 am - 10:00 am
Trintiy Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Connections Cafe (GH/Back)

10:15 am – 11:15 am

DSV/Leslie/OMG Small Groups
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

AA Sunday Night Meeting (Parlor)

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